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ATTACHMENT TO PAPER NO. _____

REMINDER

Figure changes may also require changes in the specification, e.g., if Fig. 1 is changed to Fig. 1A, Fig. 1B, Fig. 1C, etc., the specification, at the point of caption of the Drawing, must likewise be changed. Please check the specification for 37 CFR 1.312 amendment at the time of submitting drawings.

INFORMATION ON HOW TO EFFECT DRAWING CHANGES

1. Correction of Drawings - 37 CFR 1.55

When a drawing is submitted, it is subject to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.55, which requires that the drawing be corrected if it is found to be defective. The drawing must be corrected within a specified period of time, and the correction must be submitted to the Office of the Commissioner of Patents. If the drawing is not corrected within the specified period, the drawing will be considered as abandoned. The drawing may be corrected by submitting a corrected drawing to the Office of the Commissioner of Patents, or by submitting a written statement to the Office of the Commissioner of Patents explaining the correction. The written statement must be submitted within the specified period of time. The drawing may be corrected by submitting a corrected drawing to the Office of the Commissioner of Patents, or by submitting a written statement to the Office of the Commissioner of Patents explaining the correction. The written statement must be submitted within the specified period of time. The drawing may be corrected by submitting a corrected drawing to the Office of the Commissioner of Patents, or by submitting a written statement to the Office of the Commissioner of Patents explaining the correction. The written statement must be submitted within the specified period of time.

Attachment for PTO-948 (Rev. 03/01, or earlier)

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The below text replaces the pre-printed text under the heading, "Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes," on the back of the PTO-948 (Rev. 03/01, or earlier) form.

INFORMATION ON HOW TO EFFECT DRAWING CHANGES

1. Correction of Informalities -- 37 CFR 1.85

New corrected drawings must be filed with the changes incorporated therein. Identifying indicia, if provided, should include the title of the invention, inventor's name, and application number, or docket number (if any) if an application number has not been assigned to the application. If this information is provided, it must be placed on the front of each sheet and centered within the top margin. If corrected drawings are required in a Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37), the new drawings **MUST** be filed within the **THREE MONTH** shortened statutory period set for reply in the Notice of Allowability. Extensions of time may NOT be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b) for filing the corrected drawings after the mailing of a Notice of Allowability. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

2. Corrections other than Informalities Noted by Draftsperson on form PTO-948.

All changes to the drawings, other than informalities noted by the Draftsperson, **MUST** be made in the same manner as above except that, normally, a highlighted (preferably red ink) sketch of the changes to be incorporated into the new drawings **MUST** be approved by the examiner before the application will be allowed. No changes will be permitted to be made, other than correction of informalities, unless the examiner has approved the proposed changes.

Timing of Corrections

Applicant is required to submit the drawing corrections within the time period set in the attached Office communication. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Failure to take corrective action within the set period will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the application.